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Docket No.: 085742-0290

PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Bruce E. REIDENBERG	:	Confirmation Number: 2084
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Application No.: 10/566,056	:	Group Art Unit: 1611
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Filed: January 25, 2006	:	Examiner: Isis GHALI
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For: PREOPERATIVE TREATMENT OF POST OPERATIVE PAIN	:	

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2009, which requires claim and species restriction. Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I (claims 1, 2, 7, and 12-21) for prosecution in the above-identified application without traverse. Applicant further elects the species arthroscopic surgery without traverse. Claims 1, 2, 7, 12, 13, and 21 read on the elected species.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper,

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including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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